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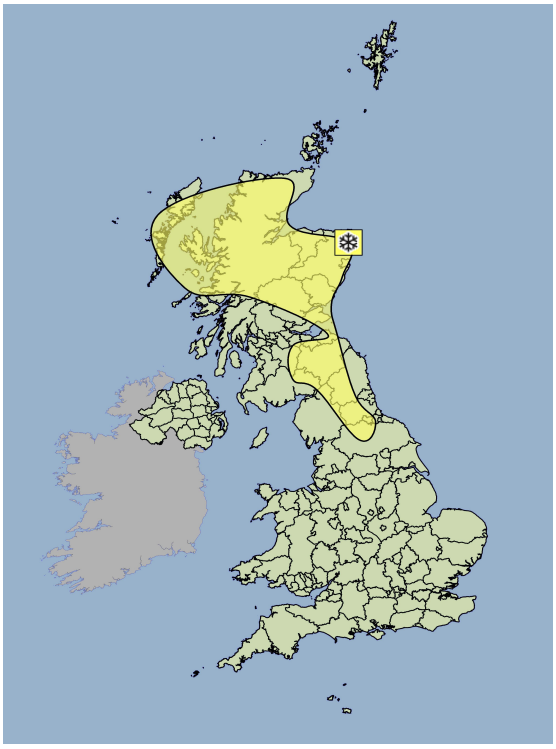

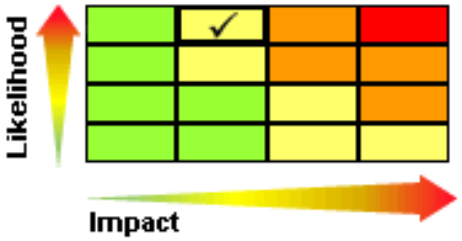

Chief Forecasters Assessment
A major (but temporary) change of weather type will see the winds swing into a more northerly direction into this weekend, pulling down much colder air across the whole of the UK and western Europe, after what has been an exceptionally mild first half of November. Wintry showers will spread to many areas and night frosts will become much more widespread.

Within this northerly flow, a more organised area of wintry weather and strong to gale force winds is expected to develop near northern Scotland this afternoon, before transferring southwards overnight. The influence of the warm North Sea should limit the amounts of snow falling close to the coasts, while the preceding mild conditions will tend to reduce the amounts accumulating on tarmac surfaces.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Warning** of **Snow**

Valid from **17:00 on Fri, 20th Nov 2015** until **10:00 on Sat, 21st Nov 2015**

A band of rain, sleet and snow will move south across northern and eastern Scotland later on Friday, then into the Borders and parts of northeast England on Friday night. 1-4 cm is likely at some lower levels (this less likely near exposed coasts and in northeast England) but with 5-10 cm above 150 m. Drifting is also possible in the strong to gale force north or northwesterly winds; indeed severe gales with gusts to 60 mph could bring a short period of blizzard conditions to the highest routes. The more persistent snow and strong winds will have cleared by Saturday morning but ice will be an additional hazard by then, particularly for higher level routes.

This is an update of the warning issued yesterday to bring the boundary inland from exposed coastal fringes and a little further west overall.

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Issued by the Met Office at 10:45 on Thu, 19th Nov 2015

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